

**HOPE TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 2, 2015**

The agenda/business meeting of the Hope Township Planning Board was held on Monday, November 2, 2015. Chairman Fish called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and he announced that notice of the meeting was given in compliance with the “Open Public Meetings Act – This meeting has been advertised in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975.” He then led the Board in the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call:

Members present: John Kruk, Marvin Fish, Steve Larena, Neil Rosenberg, Robert May, Chris Maier, John Koonz, Betsy Peterson, Brian LaBar, and Tom Toohey.

Member absent: Mayor Timothy McDonough.

Also Present: Board Attorney Roger Thomas, Board Engineer Ted Rodman, and Board Secretary Alfia Schemm.

Correspondence:

None

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of August 4, were deferred so that the audio could be reviewed by Board Attorney Thomas. Board Attorney Thomas stated that he will listen to the audio for the next meeting.

The minutes of October 5, were distributed prior to the Board meeting. Mr. Rosenberg noted an error.

Mr. Larena made the motion to adopt the minutes. Motion seconded by Mr. May. Discussion on the motion: Chairman Fish had several concerns in regards to the lack of detail in the minutes. He stated that he will abstain, from adopting the minutes. Board Attorney Thomas stated that the minutes are not transcripts; however, the Board can defer the adoption of the minutes so that they can be reviewed. He asked that Chairman Fish provide his comments and concerns to Board Secretary Schemm. Mr. Larena and Mr. May withdrew their motion

Old Business:

#14-001 St. John the Baptist Serbian Orthodox Church, Preliminary and Final Major Site Plan, Block 4000, Lot 500

This matter was carried to the Board's December 7th meeting. Board Secretary Schemm stated that she can make the audio of the October meeting available to all Board Members that were not in attendance, so that they would be eligible to vote on the matter.

Memorializing Resolution:

#15-003 Estate of George B. Winter, Block 5000, Lot 400

Mr. Larena made the motion to adopt the Resolution. Motion seconded by Mr. Kruk. In a roll call vote: Mr. Larena, Mr. Kruk, Mr. May, Mr. Toohey, and Chairman Fish, were in favor.

Other:

Affordable Housing Update

Board Attorney Thomas updated the Board on Affordable Housing.

Bills:

None

Open to the Public:

The meeting was opened to the public. With there being no public comment, the meeting was closed to the public.

Adjournment:

In a motion made and seconded the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted:

Alfia Schemm
Board Secretary
12/3/15